

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 1, delete "SPECIFICATION".

On page 11, please replace first paragraph [0024] with the following amended paragraph:

[0024] In the above configuration, the element array can be caused to produce sawtooth-like displacements by applying sinusoidal wave drive signals of different frequencies to the respective piezoelectric elements forming the plurality of piezoelectric element units. Accordingly, the driving member can be displaced in sawtooth-like fashion without using a rectangular wave drive signal, and thus the power consumption can be prevented from increasing due to the DC component occurring when the duty ratio of the rectangular wave is changed. Preferably, in the third aspect, the element array is divided into two piezoelectric element units.

On pages 11 and 12, please delete the erroneously numbered second paragraph [0024] as follows:

~~[0024] Preferably, in the third aspect, the element array is divided into two piezoelectric element units.~~

On pages 32 and 33, please amend paragraph [0059] as follows:

~~{0059}~~ [0069] The base member 311 is a plate member lying in a plane substantially perpendicular to the direction of the optical axis indicated by a semi-dashed line, and comprises a metal frame 323 having a large hole 324 at its center through which the optical axis passes. Rod supporting arms 329 and positioning arms (not shown) for supporting the piezoelectric actuator 1d (1a,1b,1c,1c₁) according to each of the above embodiments are provided in protruding fashion on the base member 311. The rod supporting arms 329 fix the piezoelectric element 2d to one end of the driving member 3d.

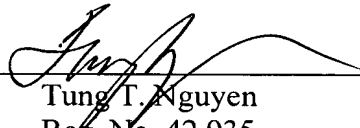
CONCLUSION

This Preliminary Amendment is presented in order to correct errors in the paragraph numbering.

This Preliminary Amendment does not increase the number of independent claims, does not increase the total number of claims, and does not present any multiple dependency claims. Accordingly, no fee based on the number or type of claims is currently due. However, if a fee, other than the issue fee, is due, please charge this fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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